



## Are You Talking to Me?

Do you have a facility in Tennessee that cleans apparel and household fabrics, using cleaning solutions other than water?

- ☛ If your answer is **YES** to this question, you are a **drycleaner** according to Tennessee's regulations. This guide is talking to **you**.
- ☛ This guide can be used as a checklist for many of the regulatory requirements a drycleaner must have in Tennessee. A list of contacts will follow.

State Permit Applications can be obtained at this website:  
<http://www.tn.gov/environment/section/permits>.

### All Drycleaners, Did You Know...?

There are some regulations that apply to *all* drycleaners regardless of the type of solvent being used.

#### **DCERP** Drycleaner Environmental Response Program

- ✓ All Tennessee drycleaners **must register** with DCERP before purchasing drycleaning solvent for their operations.
- ✓ All Tennessee drycleaners **must operate** using DCERP's Class 1 & 2 Best Management Practices (BMP).

#### **NFPA 32** National Fire Protection Association Standard for Drycleaning Plants (NFPA 32)

- ✓ Many local fire authorities enforce the NFPA 32 standard.
  - ◆ Contact your local fire authority

#### **TOSHA** Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Administration

- ◆ Safety and health regulations apply to all drycleaners.
  - ✓ Obtain a 'What To Do' booklet and submit a Workplace Chemical List (See list on back).

## Perc Drycleaners, Did You Know...?



### Air Pollution Control (APC)

- ✓ All perc drycleaners **must apply** to the appropriate APC Agency for a Construction Permit 90 - 120 days before construction begins.
- ✓ All Perc Drycleaners **must obtain** an operating permit.



### Hazardous Waste Management -HWM

- ◆ All waste containing perc is classified as hazardous waste.
  - ✓ A **permitted** hazardous waste transporter **must be used** to transport hazardous waste to an approved disposal facility.
  - ✓ A drycleaner **must notify** HWM within 30 days after the facility generates more than **220 pounds of hazardous waste** in any month.,
  - ✓ You **must also obtain** an Installation Identification Number (EPA I.D. number) and a permit to generate hazardous waste **from the State** Solid/Hazardous Waste Management Division.



### Aboveground & Underground Storage Tanks

- ✗ DCERP Best Management Practices **do not allow** the **storage of** dense, non-aqueous solvents such as **perc** in either underground or aboveground storage containers. The delivery of solvent into the cleaning equipment must be made using a closed, direct-coupled delivery system.

## Green-Earth or Rynex solvent Drycleaners Did You Know ....?

Both are combustible Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) and are regulated like petroleum with the following exceptions:

- ◆ GreenEarth, (decamethylcyclopentasiloxane) is exempted by the State Air Pollution Control VOC regulations.
- ◆ The petroleum 84-pound dryer capacity rule doesn't apply.

## Petroleum Drycleaners Did You Know ...?



### Air Pollution Control (APC)

- ◆ All petroleum solvents are regulated as Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC). They are also covered by the New Source Performance Standards.
  - ✓ Petroleum drycleaners using more than 60 gallons per month of solvent or having a total dryer capacity of more than 84 pounds **should contact** their APC agency 120 days before construction to assure compliance with the agency's requirements.



### Special Waste Management

- ◆ Waste from petroleum drycleaners is usually classified as **special waste**.
  - ✓ Approval for disposal of special waste **must be obtained** from the local Solid/Hazardous Waste Management office.
  - ✓ The landfill or processing facility **must also agree** to accept the special waste.



### Underground Storage Tanks (UST)

- ✓ Underground storage tanks **must be registered** with the State Division of Underground Storage Tanks.



### Aboveground Storage Tanks (AST)

- ◆ ASTs **must meet** U.S. EPA's Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) requirements (40 CFR, Part 112).
  - ✓ Owners of above-ground storage tank(s) with a total storage capacity greater than 1,320 gallons **must prepare** a Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasures Plan (SPCC).
- ❖ For more information, call: 1-800-424-9346, or visit: <http://www2.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations>



## Who Do You Contact ?

### Permit and Environmental Assistance - Local Contact:

#### EFO - Tennessee Environmental Field Office

- ☛ 1-888-891-TDEC (8332)
- ☛ [Contact Environmental Programs at local EFO for:](#)
  - ◆ Special Wastes
  - ◆ Underground Storage Tanks
  - ◆ General environmental questions

#### State Regulatory Authority Contacts

State environmental permit applications can be obtained at this website:  
<http://www.tn.gov/environment/section/permits/>

#### Air Pollution Control (APC)

All counties except Shelby, Davidson, Knox and Hamilton contact: Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Air Pollution Control ☛ 615 532-0554 / Fax: 615-532-0614	
Memphis/Shelby County Health Dept. Pollution Control Division ☛ 901-222-9599/Fax: 901-222-9561	Nashville-Davidson County Health Dept. Air Pollution Control Division ☛ 615-340-5616/Fax:615-340-8589
Knoxville/Knox County Department of Air Quality Management ☛ 865-215-5900/Fax: 865-215-5902	Chattanooga/Hamilton County Air Pollution Control Bureau ☛ 423-643-5970/Fax: 423-643-5972

#### DCERP - Drycleaner Environmental Response Program

- ☛ William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., 14th Floor  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1538  
Telephone: (615) 532-0900 / Fax: (615) 741-1115  
<http://www.tn.gov/environment/topic/rem-drycleaning>

#### Local Fire Authority

- ☛ State Fire Marshall's Office / Codes Enforcement Section:  
(615) 741-7190 / Fax: (615) 253-3267
- ☛ Tennessee Fire Service Directory  
<http://tn.gov/commerce/topic/fire-codes-enforcement>

#### Hazardous Waste Management

- ☛ Solid/Hazardous Waste Management / Waste Activity Audit  
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower  
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., 14th Floor  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1538  
Telephone: 615-532-0780 / FAX: 615-532-0938



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### TOSHA - Tennessee Occupational Safety & Health Administration

- ☛ Phone: (615) 741-2793 / 1-800-249-8510 / Fax: (615) 741-3325
  - ◆ TOSHA's WHAT TO DO booklet
  - ◆ <http://www.tn.gov/assets/entities/labor/attachments/WhatToDoBookletGHS.pdf>

### Permit and Environmental Assistance – Small Business

#### SBEAP - Small Business Environmental Assistance Program



Provides technical, administrative and regulatory support for small businesses. The SBEAP staff serves as a liaison between the regulatory agency and the small business owner. Confidentiality is maintained when representing the interest of a small business. The types of assistance provided through the SBEAP include:

- Informing businesses of regulatory requirements that apply to them and the dates these requirements apply.
- Maintaining a list of affected industry for distribution of information.
- Disseminating up-to-date regulatory information to the small business community, including easy-to-understand public information material.
- Helping small businesses with specific technical, administrative, and compliance problems.
- Making necessary referrals to assist businesses with specific environmental problems.
- Providing training opportunities.

**1-800-734-3619**

[BGSBEAP@tn.gov](mailto:BGSBEAP@tn.gov)

<http://www.tn.gov/environment/section/sbeap-small-business-environmental-assistance>

To reach your local

**ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD OFFICE**

Call 1-888-891-8332 OR 1-888-891-TDEC



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# Drycleaners! Did You Know...?



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